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West et al.

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Art Unit: 1632

For: METHODS OF RESTORING TELOMERE  
LENGTH AND EXTENDING CELL  
LIFESPAN USING NUCLEAR TRANSFER

Examiner: V. E. Bertoglio

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY ACCOMPANYING  
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

MS RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

In further response to the Final Office Action dated November 17, 2008, and in response to the Advisory Action dated March 6, 2009, Applicants are filing a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application and are providing the following remarks which are supplementary to Applicants' February 17, 2009 Reply, now entered with the Request for Continued Examination.

Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition for a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3). With the extension, the deadline for filing a reply is on or before May 18, 2009 (May 17, 2009 being a Sunday). Thus, this Request for Continued Examination is timely filed.

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Amendment dated May 18, 2009

In response to Examiner's Advisory Action dated March 6, 2009

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.